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Route 28 (Main Street), Bridge Street to Grove Street Concept Development Study

Virtual Public Information Center
February 23, 2022 – March 9, 2022 Borough of Somerville, Somerset County, New Jersey

PROJECT BACKGROUND

The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is committed to developing transportation improvements that balance transportation needs, safety, the environment, community concerns, and cost. NJDOT will hold a Virtual Public Information Center (PIC) to provide local residents and businesses with information on the **Route 28 (Main Street), Bridge Street to Grove Street project** in the Borough of Somerville, Somerset County.

PUBLIC MEETING DETAILS

Due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency the Public Information Center will be held virtually. Please visit the following website at a time that is convenient for you between **February 23 and March 9, 2022**.

www.Route28-pic.com

The purpose of the presentation is to provide information about the proposed project. You will have an opportunity to review the presentation, submit questions, and leave feedback. Property owners with rental units are advised that tenants are also invited and encouraged to participate. If you are unable to view the presentation but are interested in learning about this project, please contact us at the telephone number or email address listed below.

PROJECT DETAILS

This project consists of a Concept Development Study to identify safety, mobility, accessibility, and reliability improvements. The current alignment of the streets for Route 28, Bridge Street to Grove Street, creates safety issues for pedestrians trying to cross these intersections. In addition, a lack of signage and lighting is a concern for users of the area. The Preliminary Preferred Alternative (PPA) proposes the following:

For Route 28:

ADA upgrades to substandard curb ramps.

- The roadway will be resurfaced and re-striped.
- Diagonal parking will be maintained.
- Travel lanes will be marked as a shared lane.
- The roadway lighting will be enhanced.

For the Grove Street / Warren Street Intersection:

- Construction of a new traffic signal.
- Warren Street to be converted into a one-way, southbound roadway.
- Additional parallel parking will be added on Warren Street.
- Traffic signal timings to include left turn phase and lead pedestrian interval.
- Curb extensions will be constructed.
- Warren Street crosswalk to be relocated to the east side of Warren Street

For the Bridge Street Intersection:

- Replacement with a new traffic signal.
- Traffic signal timings to include left turn phase and lead pedestrian interval.
- Left turn lane along Route 28 westbound at Bridge Street will be widened.
- Stop bars will be offset to aid truck turning movements.
- Curb extensions will be constructed.

SCHEDULE

Final Concept Development Phase: Winter 2022 Preliminary Engineering Phase: Spring 2022 Final Design Phase: Summer 2023 Construction: Spring 2025

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